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**RESOLUTION NO. 08-135**

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, DECLARING NO OBJECTION AND SUPPORTING THE CODESIGNATION BY THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE, PURSUANT TO SENATE BILL 1604 AND HOUSE BILL 1465, DESIGNATING WEST OKEECHOBEE ROAD, FROM WEST 4 AVENUE TO PALM AVENUE, HIALEAH, FLORIDA, AS "WILLY CHIRINO BOULEVARD;" FURTHER DIRECTING THE CITY TO TRANSMIT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DISTRICT SIX, FOR SIGN INSTALLATION WITHIN THE NEWLY DESIGNATED ROADWAY.

**WHEREAS**, Florida Statute 334.071, entitled "Legislative designation of transportation facilities," states that erection of markers on state roadways shall be contingent upon the appropriate city or county commission passing a resolution in support of the particular honorary designation; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 1604 and House Bill 1465, adopted by the Florida Legislature, designated, *inter alia*, a state roadway that is located within the City of Hialeah at West Okeechobee Road, from West 4 Avenue to Palm Avenue, Hialeah, Florida, as "Willy Chirino Boulevard;" and

**WHEREAS**, Willy Chirino is a very well-known singer, songwriter, and composer who has received numerous awards and accolades not only for his music, but for his humanitarian efforts; and

**WHEREAS**, driven by his desire to help the disadvantaged, including his fellow Cuban nationals, Willy Chirino has helped countless individuals attain social and economic empowerment in the United States and throughout the world through the Willy Chirino Foundation; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the request made by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for honorary designation of roadways located in the City of Hialeah, the City of Hialeah has no objections to and supports the designation of "Willy Chirino Boulevard;" and

**WHEREAS**, the Historic Preservation Board recommended approval of this resolution on October 3, 2008.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

**Section 1:** The City of Hialeah declares no objection to and supports the designation by the Florida Legislature of West Okeechobee Road from W 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Palm Avenue, Hialeah, Florida, as "Willy Chirino Boulevard."

**Section 2:** The City is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to FDOT, District Six, for sign installation within the newly designated roadway.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 14th day of October, 2008.

  
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Esteban Bovo  
Council President

Attest:

Approved on this 18 day of October, 2008.

  
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Rafael E. Granado  
City Clerk

  
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Mayor Julio Robaina

Approved as to legal sufficiency and form:

  
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William M. Grodnick  
City Attorney

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Resolution was adopted by a unanimous vote with Councilmembers Bovo, Caragol, Casals-Muñoz, Garcia-Martinez, Gonzalez, Hernandez, and Yedra voting "Yes".